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VIA AIRMAIL

[redacted]
Foreign Broadcast Information Branch
Central Intelligence Agency
1739 N.W. 42nd Ave.
Portland 13, Oregon

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Dear [redacted]

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Thank you for your letter of 31 December 1947. I am glad that you are making every effort to recruit Russian linguists, for there appear to be few candidates available to us in Washington.

I was afraid that we would have difficulty in appointing [redacted] sister to an English monitoring position, at least at the same Bureau where [redacted] is assigned. The Personnel Office indicates, however, that there is no objection to the employment of sisters provided that neither will exercise supervision over the other.

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I hope that [redacted] will succeed in finding something for [redacted]

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If you believe that Chinese Central News Service releases would be of value to you, please requisition through regular channels, with supporting justification.

When I visited the station there, the technical staff seemed uncertain whether the "Progress Reports" logging daily reception of each program were of value to Washington, and I was unable at that time to assure them that they were. I find now that they are regularly studied and frequently referred to. [redacted] are studying the possibility of revising the system of notations, perhaps on the basis of Penniwell's suggestions of a year ago; and when a permanent system is established the East Coast Bureau will resume the practice of submitting them and can send you a copy for reference.

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Sincerely,

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L. K. WHITE
Chief, FBIS

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